



## US ENVIRONMENTAL AGENCY, REGION II

PROGRESS POLLUTION REPORT**I. HEADING**

Date: October 14, 1994  
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Subject: Bayonne Barrel and Drum, Newark,  
Essex County, New Jersey

POLREP No: Six (6), Progress POLREP

**II. BACKGROUND**

Site Number: 9J  
Response Authority: CERCLA  
Delivery Order Number: 2001-02-039  
NPL Status: Non-NPL  
Action Memorandum Status: verbal authorization received 7-14-94,  
action memorandum approved 9-2-94  
Start Date: July 14, 1994

**III. INCIDENT INFORMATION**

See initial POLREP

**IV. REMOVAL INFORMATION****A. Actions Taken**

1. ERCS continued the collection, overpacking and sampling of drums removed from the "empty" drum pile. In addition, upon demolition of a structurally unsound wall and the removal of fire

debris several drums, cylinders and pails were recovered from building No. 7. Building No. 7 had been destroyed by the fire on July 9, 1994.

2. Tires were removed from the ash piles and buildings. Subcontract bids for the transport and recycling of an estimated 200 tons of shredded and whole tires were received. Transport has been scheduled to begin on October 17, 1994. Cycle-Tech of Hudson, New York will recycle the tires into a product used for road surfaces. According to N.Y. Department of Conservation (NYDEC), the Cycle-Tech facility is permitted and operates in compliance with applicable NYDEC requirements. Removal of the tires is necessary in order to expose potentially contaminated soil mounds covered by the tires.

3. The ERCS field chemist continued to haz-cat drum samples, prepare composite samples for PCB screening and ship soil samples for hazardous constituent analysis, including dioxin and furans. Haz-cat and PCB screen information is being utilized to establish waste streams for the test bulking. Each waste stream will consist of no greater than 25 drums. Samples proportional to the volume of waste contained in each drum will be test bulked to insure compatibility, composited and submitted to a laboratory for disposal analysis.

4. Fence repairs and installation were initiated on October 13, 1994, to secure the site and areas of gross soil contamination. Upon completion of fence repairs and installation warning signs will be posted, as per OSHA specifications.

#### **B. Next Steps**

A community relations plan and administrative record have been prepared and are on file for public review at the Newark Public Library and the Edison Records Center. A public notice will be published during the week of October 17.

Twenty-four hour site security will be maintained at the site.

ERCS will continue to identify, collect and stabilize known and suspected wastes at the site. Samples of waste streams and ash known to or suspected of containing PCBs and/or dioxin have been sent to a commercial laboratory for analysis.

ORC has obtained written access agreements from the City of Newark and legal counsel representing the heirs of the Frank A. Langella and Angelina Langella estates. The access agreements allow for EPA and our subcontractors to remove and copy the numerous records and documents found at the site. These documents are presently stored in an on-site garage and may be useful in identifying potentially responsible parties. TAT has been tasked with conducting a search of the documents.

The final disposition of the empty drum pile will be determined upon receipt and evaluation of cost estimates (ERCS vs. subcontract). Upon removal of site debris the drum storage yard will be grided and sampled to determine the need for soil excavation and disposal.

**C. Key Issues**

None.

**V. COST INFORMATION**

Mitigation Contracting	\$252,692
TAT	\$10,145
Intramural	\$11,100
Total	\$273,937
Project ceiling	\$1,135,000
Percent of Funds Remaining	76%